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REPLY TO ATTN OF: M/S 613

December 27, 1982

Mr. George W. Drexler 3731 N. 29th Street Tacoma, Washington 98402

Re: <u>Inspection of Records</u>

Dear Mr. Drexler:

This is to advise you that in the immediate future, EPA employees will be inspecting records subpoenaed from you (or from companies in which you hold an interest), and presently held at the U. S. Attorney's Office in Seattle. As you know, under EPA regulations and the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), EPA has the right to inspect records required to be maintained for hazardous waste purposes, regardless of their location.

In particular, EPA will be reviewing the subpoenaed records for hazardous waste manifests.

Although the records came into the possession of the Government by Grand Jury subpoena, the records themselves are not "matters occurring before the grand jury" which are privileged under Federal Criminal Rule 6(e).

After the records have been inspected, EPA may request copies of them.

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